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SUBJECT: ICX PARTICIPANT IN CARACAS, VENEZUELA

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1. EMBASSY CONTACTED LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE OF INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL EXCHANGE (ECX) JANUARY 18 AND WAS ADVISED THAT BRENT FALLERS HAD RETURNED TO US JANUARY 12. MARGO MOSER HAD PLANNED TO LEAVE CARACAS ON JANUARY 18 VIASA FLIGHT AND HAD A TICKET FOR THIS FLIGHT, BUT HAD BEEN TOLD BY PARENTS TO TAKE WORLD AIRWAYS CHARTER FLIGHT INSTEAD.

2. ON BASIS OF REFTTEL, EMBASSY ASKED DIRECTOR OF AIR TRANSPORT TO PERMIT MOSER TO BOARD WORLD AIRWAYS. HE AGREED, BUT EMPHASIZED HIS ACTION BASED SOLELY ON DESIRE TO AVOID PERSONAL HARDSHIP TO MISS MOSER, SINCE THIS PERMIT CONSTITUTED A VIOLATION OF VENEZUELAN CIVIL AVIATION LAWS, OF IATA REGULATIONS, AND TO HIS KNOWLEDGE OF CAB RULES. HE APPARENTLY DID NOT KNOW AND EMBASSY DID NOT INFORM HIM THAT MISS MOSER WAS PREPARED TO TRAVEL ON REGULARLY SCHEDULED CARRIER.

3. HALF HOUR BEFORE ITS SCHEDULED LANDING AT CARACAS AIRPORT, EMBASSY WAS INFORMED THAT WORLD CHARTER FLIGHT 10711 HAD CANCELLED FUEL STOP. SHORTLY THEREAFTER, HOWEVER, A WORLD AIRWAYS AIRCRAFT DID STOP IN CARACAS AND MISS
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MOSER WAS PERMITTED TO BOARD.

4. EMBASSY IS OF COURSE ALWAYS READY TO PROVIDE ALL ASSISTANCE POSSIBLE IN CASES OF SERIOUS HARDSHIP, AND TO DATE, GOV HAS GENERALLY BEEN WILLING TO COOPERATE IN SUCH INSTANCES. IT IS NOT CLEAR TO US, HOWEVER, THAT THIS WAS SUCH A CASE.
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